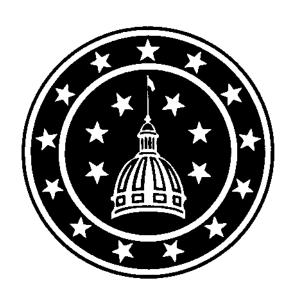
INFORMATIONAL REPORT OF THE ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY PROPOSAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



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I. STATUTORY DIRECTIVE

The Indiana General Assembly enacted legislation directing the Committee to do the following:

- Take and review the study by the Indiana Department of Transportation required under IC 8-23-27-14, testimony, and other information provided to the Committee by the Indiana Department of Transportation, other state agencies, and the public concerning the proposed Illiana expressway project.
- Prepare a report to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislative Council regarding the Committee's determination of whether the proposed Illiana expressway project is recommended by the Committee.

The study by the Indiana Department of Transportation required under IC 8-23-27-14 is required to:

- prepare a needs assessment for an Illiana expressway; and
- identify a highway alignment corridor for an Illiana expressway.

The study report (INDOT report) is also required to discuss the feasibility of an Illiana expressway.

The Committee is also subject to the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. However, the Legislative Council did not request a report on any topic for 2008.

II. SUMMARY OF WORK PROGRAM

The Committee did not meet during the 2008 interim. However, by statute, the Committee may meet at any time during the year.

The Committee is required to file a final report. In addition, the Committee is required to prepare a report regarding the Committee's determination of whether the proposed Illiana expressway is recommended by the Committee.

As of November 1, 2008, the Indiana Department of Transportation has not yet submitted the INDOT report to the Committee. By statute, the Indiana Department of Transportation must present the INDOT report to the Committee before July 1, 2009.

Until the Committee receives the INDOT report, the Committee will not have the essential data on which to base the Committee's deliberations.

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